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Solving the University's parking woes, fielding complaints no easy task

Parking, parking, someone is always complaining about parking. Why doesn't the University build a parking garage? Why aren't there gates on the lots to keep out vehicles that don't belong? Why don't they tow student cars when they are parked in staff lots? Stacie Schroeder, parking and traffic, has heard them all.

"What people don't realize is that this is a pedestrian campus," Schroeder said. "It's impossible to make sure everyone has a parking spot right outside his or her door. Staff and students probably don't believe it, but there really is plenty of parking available on this campus, it's just not all convenient parking."

But Schroeder and members of parking and traffic are willing to talk to faculty, staff and students about their special parking needs and they try to make accommodations when possible. "We encourage input from people so that we can make the system better," she said.

Many people have suggested the University build a parking garage to relieve some of its parking problems, but Schroeder said such a project is not feasible. "We've been told by vendors that it would cost approximately \$7,000 - \$10,000 per space and we simply don't have the budget for that," she said. "I've also been told by people at schools that have parking garages that the garages deteriorate



Fielding complaints about campus parking is all part of the job for Stacie Schroeder, who is an administrative assistant in parking and traffic.

rapidly and you end up paying maintenance costs before you've even paid off your debt service."

Roger Dennerl, director of public safety, said crime is often a problem in parking garages and equipping them with security is costly. "And besides, no matter where we would put it, someone would

think it should have been built somewhere else," he said.

Installing electric gates at the entrances of faculty and staff lots also is not a viable solution, Schroeder said. There is the potential of traffic backing into the streets as individuals check into the lot and other schools with gates have said

they are frequently vandalized, she said. "They are a pain to take care of and realistically not worth the cost."

The answer to many of the University's parking woes has been the extremely successful shuttle bus service. It now consists of three full-time and five part-time drivers, three vehicles and one disabled-equipped van. More than 200,000 people rode the shuttles for free last year.

"We feel it really has opened up parking on the inner campus because people park at the Visitors' Center and ride the shuttle in," Dennerl said. "We're in the process of buying another shuttle and we will be putting in shelters at three of the stops."

Enhancing the shuttle service has helped eliminate some of the complaints about parking. Schroeder said one of the shuttles now runs a reverse route as a result of input from riders who thought this would provide more expedient service depending on a rider's destination.

Parking and traffic also is thinking about adding an express route that would stop only at major locations on campus.

Another common complaint to parking and traffic is from service employees who need to park near buildings where they are scheduled to work. Dennerl said 29 parking spaces next to campus buildings were created a year ago for state

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BGSU's cultural diversity program a guide for other schools

When the University's cultural diversity committee struggled for five years planning the details for the Cultural Diversity in the United States requirement that was implemented in 1991, its members never realized the path they were forging.

At a recent Cultural Legacies Institute held in Philadelphia and sponsored by the Association of American Colleges, the Bowling Green participants were bombarded with questions from representatives of other universities looking to implement a similar program. In many ways, BGSU's curriculum is making it easier for other schools to plan their own programs, said Dr. Ernest Champion, ethnic studies and director of the cultural diversity curriculum.

Champion attended the institute, entitled "Teaching Cultural Difference as General Education," along with Dr. Robert Perry, chair of ethnic studies; Dr. Lorna Gonsalves-Pinto, ethnic studies, and Dr. Beth Casey, coordinator of general education and special programs in the College of Arts and Sciences. They presented a session explaining BGSU's completed curriculum and said it attracted much attention.

"Everyone there was concerned about cultural diversity, but we were unique in that not only have we implemented such a program, we've also had time to evaluate it," Champion said. "Our curriculum is simple, workable and doesn't polarize the campus."

Gonsalves-Pinto said the institute's participants were eager to listen to Bowling Green's presentation because it was one of the few that explained cultural diversity education from the

perspective of a university that has already gone through the process. "Also, they liked our clarity and preciseness. We explained problems that have arisen and solutions we've used," she said.

All freshmen entering the University are now required to take at least one cultural diversity course. Champion said the main goal of implementing the program was to make diversity an "intellectual pursuit." It is a way to have students study the contributions of the various groups that make up the U.S., he said.

Casey, who also conducted a session on global conflict around the world, said learning about cultural diversity is especially important as we move into the 21st century. "There is a dynamic change occurring in almost every country in the world. New groups are constantly moving to other countries and cultural diversity is directly connected to international understanding," she said.

"But whether you plan to move or not, learning about cultural diversity needs to begin on our own American ground. Understanding at home will help us understand global issues coming at us in the next century. We can comprehend that best by understanding the pluralism in our own society."

Despite its importance, not all institutions are eager to implement such a program. Champion said many administrators are afraid of antagonizing various campus factions and

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University's MBA program featured in national magazine

Aggressive marketing efforts by the College of Business Administration's MBA program are featured in this week's *U.S. News & World Report*.

The article describes how many business schools, faced with a shrinking pool of applicants, are increasing efforts to attract students.

In the article entitled "The MBA Hard Sell," Bowling Green's MBA program is cited for its innovative techniques—commercials on area cable stations, use of an 800 number and booking Dean Fred Williams on local radio and TV talk shows. "We never had to be aggressive about recruiting. But now we can't wait for students to just show up," Charles Johnson, director of graduate programs, told USN&WR.

In addition to being prominently mentioned in the story, three pictures, featuring Bowling Green, including one of Williams being interviewed on television, accompany the article.



President Olscamp reads a citation as an honorary doctor of higher education administration is bestowed on Sun Tian yi, president of Xi'an Foreign Languages University, by Eloise Clark, vice president for academic affairs, and Lester Barber, executive assistant to the president. The private ceremonies took place last week at a dinner in the President's Suite of the University Union, honoring Sun for his efforts in helping to establish a faculty and student exchange between Bowling Green and his institute in the People's Republic of China. The exchange has been in place since 1982. Sun also delivered an address on higher education in China earlier that day.

H.B. 151, child care and parking of service vehicles concerns of CSC

From House Bill 151 to child care to parking for service vehicles, Classified Staff Council covered a wide range of topics at its March 15 meeting.

John Moore, executive director of personnel services, was the guest speaker at the meeting. He explained how H.B. 151, which went into effect Feb. 9, has had an impact on the University's hiring practices. The bill was enacted to prevent "double dipping," where a retiree in the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) is rehired by his or her former workplace and receives both retirement benefits as well as the same paycheck and benefits as before retirement. Under the bill, retirees who return to work, either full or part-time, as public employees during the first six months of retirement will forfeit their monthly retirement and health insurance for that period.

Moore said the University now has a contract with Manpower Temporary Services and retirees hired through that service to work on campus are not considered public employees and their employment is not affected by H.B. 151.

Currently the bill only affects persons in PERS but Moore said "it is only a matter of time" before similar legislation is written for people in the State Teachers Retirement System (STRS).

Moore reported that efforts are still being made to secure funding for a campus child care facility. He estimates it will cost approximately \$1 million to build the center and provide start up costs and the University is submitting a request for \$500,000 from the Ohio Board of Regents managed child care grants.

"If we can get that amount of money, we can hold it for a couple years as we try to raise the rest of the funding," Moore said.

But several council members said waiting a few years was too long. "Can't we start out small? Do we have to start

out by building a million dollar facility? People want this service now. They don't want to have to wait a couple more years," Chris Stock said.

Moore said a smaller facility is an option, but a survey taken last fall indicated employees with a total of at least 200 children were interested in such a service.

In other business, the council discussed the difficulty classified staff driving state vehicles have in finding parking when they go to different buildings to work. Although parking and traffic has arranged for some parking for these vehicles, it is not enough, council members said. "Sometimes you can't find a place to park so you can't get in to do the job. It's ridiculous," Steve Lashaway said.

The council also passed a recommendation on the use of personal time. The handbook currently says personal time must be used in minimum increments of two hours. Therefore if an employee needs three hours of personal time, he or she must take a total of four hours. The recommendation calls for lowering the minimum to one hour plus any fraction of time thereafter.

On another topic, the council approved a recommendation in relation to pay for temporary work assignments.

Currently, when a classified employee assumes another staff member's work duties on a temporary basis, after two weeks he or she is entitled to a five percent pay increase for the duration of handling those duties. Should that employee assume the duties on a permanent basis, he or she is guaranteed a minimum four percent pay increase.

The council recommended that the temporary pay increase be changed from five to four percent to make it more consistent and so a person wouldn't lose money by taking a job permanently.

Ethnic studies department recognized for its impact on students, community

The ethnic studies department will be honored by the Northwest Ohio Black Media Association at its 1994 Impact Newsmaker Awards Luncheon March 26.

The department will be one of two groups and four individuals recognized at the program which will be held from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at the University of Toledo Student Union Auditorium.

Clyde Hughes, a member of the association, said BGSU is the only university in northwest Ohio with an ethnic studies department, and the association was impressed with the impact the department has had on students and the community.

"We were impressed with the work of Dr. Robert Perry and his staff in enlightening students in the area of ethnicity," Hughes said. "We look at the department as a trailblazer, as an example of what other schools should be doing. It's important to recognize that."

Perry has been the chair of the department since it was founded in 1970.

The Impact Newsmaker Awards were established in 1992 by NOBMA, an affiliate of the National Association of

Black Journalists. NOBMA members, of African-American journalists in the Toledo area, use the award to honor those people who have made positive, news-worthy contributions.

Money raised at the event supports three scholarships sponsored by NOBMA: The William A. Brower Journalism Scholarship, the Art Edgerton/University of Toledo Scholarship and the Al Smith Journalism Scholarship at BGSU. They are awarded to local African-American students interested in pursuing journalism careers.

Other award recipients include Toledo Councilwoman Edna Brown, educator Dr. Helen Cooks, businessman Bobby Howard, civil rights activist Rev. Floyd Rose and the Afro-American Patrolmen's League. NOBMA also will give its first Media Lifetime Achievement Awards to former WTVG-TV newsmen Bill Harris, and Toledo Edison public relations specialist and former WTOL-TV reporter Jim Proctor.

For ticket information, contact Hughes at 873-2716.

Senate is bogged down on issue of two-thirds vote and amendments

Once again frustration reigned supreme at the March 15 Faculty Senate meeting. An on-call meeting, convened to settle the meaning of a two-thirds vote once and for all, and to take a revote on a set of amendments proposed by the Advocates for Academic Independence, continued to cause confusion and disagreement about an issue that has been stuck on the agenda for months.

The three amendments, which are designed to make the senate a stronger representative of the faculty through various election, budgeting and monitoring devices, were approved by a two-thirds vote of the members present at the Jan. 18 meeting. Debate has surrounded the issue ever since as two-thirds vote is not precisely defined by the Academic Charter on the topic of charter changes.

Some senators, including chair of the senate, Dr. Benjamin Muego, interpreted the language to require a two-thirds vote of the entire senate body, regardless if the members were present. In that case, the proposed amendments would have failed in the vote taken in January.

To settle the issue, a joint conference of the Senate Executive Committee and President Olscamp was called and it was decided that two-thirds vote meant of the entire body. Following that decision, the senate rescinded its previous vote on the amendments at its March 1 meeting and then tabled a revote until the on-call meeting.

But many senators wanted to argue against the SEC/president interpretation, citing Roberts Rules of Order and past precedent as support for defining two-thirds vote as those present voting.

Senator Richard Hebein argued that when a term is not qualified in the charter, the proper practice is to follow Roberts Rules of Order. He distributed a copy of a section of the rules that said "a two-thirds vote — when the term is unqualified — means at least two-thirds

of the votes cast by persons legally entitled to vote, excluding blanks or abstentions, at a regular or properly called meeting at which a quorum is present."

Senator Robert Holmes said he could "see the wisdom" of the SEC/president interpretation because otherwise a bare minimum of a quorum at a meeting could change the charter. However, he said he was concerned that the practical effect of the interpretation could also make future amendments to the charter difficult.

As a member of the Amendment and By-laws Committee, Holmes proposed two options: that the charter, when being amended, require a two-thirds vote of senators present and voting; or the charter, when being amended, shall require a two-thirds vote of the total membership of the senate with a campus mail balloting procedure employed.

Several senators argued that using the mail system for voting was inefficient and normally did not receive a good return rate.

Discussion turned to how to handle previous votes where the senate made charter changes based on a vote of only two-thirds of those present voting. It was concluded that since these were done before the SEC/president ruling, they would remain valid.

President Olscamp defended the interpretation he made with SEC by saying he can recall having numerous discussions with former senate chair Dr. Betty van der Smitten, who helped write the charter. He said she told him the document was being written so that it would be difficult to make changes to the charter because it was such an important set of policies.

After much debate, the senate eventually voted to support the SEC/president interpretation. However, they then once again tabled a revote on the amendments until the April 5 meeting.

Faculty and staff have opportunities to offer guidance toward students' futures

Faculty and staff can be of real help in recruiting students and providing internship opportunities within their departments, said Diana Carpenter, career development specialist in arts and sciences. This spring semester, she has been offering workshops to students who may need guidance in choosing a career.

The goal of this program is to catch students before they get too far along in their academic careers and help them decide on a realistic future path that will be fulfilling for them. To do this, she offers seminars on various basic topics such as interest and skill assessment and values in relation to career selection. "I talk to so many students who really don't know what they'd like to do for employment when they graduate," said Carpenter. "Ideally, we'd like to meet them when they're freshmen and not seniors and try to funnel them into the courses they'll need."

There are many ways for faculty to get involved, she said. For instance, in her "Career Opportunities for the Future" workshop, faculty, administrative and classified staff members could come and discuss their particular fields, what they entail in the way of educational requirements and what job possibilities exist within the field.

Once students have chosen a direction, Carpenter said, "We'd like to encourage them to look beyond their academic courses to what opportunities there are on campus for augmenting their learning experience." She gives a workshop called "Campus Opportunities

That Can Enhance My Marketability," which includes internship information. Carpenter said she would like to see faculty "chime in" on this as internships are mutually beneficial to students and departments alike.

Carpenter said she is also eager to hear any other ideas faculty have for ways students can get involved on campus or of activities that might complement their studies.

Another area where faculty and staff can help is with the many foreign study choices available to students. Carpenter regularly gives a workshop called "Study Abroad Opportunities." Representatives familiar with programs offered through their departments are welcome to come and share information with participants.

For students who are further along in their studies, there is a session on graduate school opportunities. Faculty could share their knowledge of what the University has available in this area.

These are just a sampling of the many ways faculty and staff can work with Carpenter. "There's a lot of flexibility in the programs that should make it easy for anyone who wants to take part." The workshops themselves are informal and are held at times convenient for students to attend. Participation by faculty and staff would be on a volunteer basis.

These workshops will be a regular feature on campus in coming semesters, said Carpenter. Anyone interested in finding out more should call her at 372-6843. — *Bonnie Blankinship*



The marine biology lab was one of several campus sites toured by nearly 140 students from Scott High School in Toledo March 11 when Chad Stose (left), a freshman biology major, showed a king crab to William Winston (center) and Romel Nolen. The tour also included stops at the College of Technology, Jerome Library, West Hall and the Musical Arts and Fine Arts Centers. The students are enrolled in Scott's accelerated program in education. John Moore, executive director of personnel services, made arrangements for the campus visit, which was one of the largest from a Toledo high school.

CULTURAL DIVERSITY

From the front

Gonsalves-Pinto said some students are resistant to changing their perspectives.

Preparing teachers on how to handle conflicts and helping students to feel comfortable with the material is essential to the success of a cultural diversity program, Gonsalves-Pinto said. Conflict resolution becomes an important component in teaching these classes.

"Many students walk into these classes with preconceived ideas and are resistant to learning new information about groups of people," she said. "I find that when they are upset, they may respond in one of two ways: they may be very rude or mean, or they will shut themselves off from the conversation."

To combat this, Gonsalves-Pinto has instituted "anonymous share," where the students write their gut response to the subject matter on paper without signing their names. She then shuffles and passes out the papers and makes the students read aloud the paper they received. "That way we can see each

other's perspectives and create a discussion. People are more open this way," Gonsalves-Pinto said.

One point the Bowling Green group tried to emphasize at the institute was the need to teach cultural diversity courses from the perspective of the people who are the focus of the class. Gonsalves-Pinto said she was concerned to see that while many institutions are interested in cultural diversity, they plan to teach the courses from the European perspective. "This is only reinforcing the same myths," she said. "It's important that we teach from a wider viewpoint. As educators, we have an ethical obligation to present students with the whole picture rather than one part of it. It trains us to be critical thinkers."

Champion said he has received numerous calls from other universities inquiring about BGSU's program and he is proud that the University is in the forefront of this type of curriculum. "We were doing the right thing for the right reasons at the right time," he said.

PARKING

From the front

vehicles but they are to be used only for loading and unloading. Once service employees have unloaded their equipment, they must move the vehicle to a regular parking space.

Building construction and renovation have caused problems in that some facilities have no convenient parking for service employees, such as at the Business Administration Building. "We've had a number of complaints about that and we're willing to work with the people at the physical plant to find another option," Schroeder said.

Parking — or lack of — is a concern on most campuses but Schroeder said BGSU has some of the lowest annual parking fees in the state. The yearly cost

for an employee to park on campus is \$30 and the fee is paid by the individual's department. Students also pay \$30 a year.

"There are some Ohio schools where the employees have to pay for parking out of their own pockets and the fees are much higher. I don't foresee that happening here anytime in the near future," she said.

Unlike some institutions located in cities, BGSU has plenty of space to expand parking in outer areas if necessary. "But there will never be enough parking right out a building's back door," Dennerl said. "That's why we need to educate people about parking in the spaces available and we need to continue to enhance our shuttle system."

Learn to use libraries' information resources

The array of electronic information resources available to the BGSU community through libraries and learning resources is expanding rapidly. Seminars have been planned to help familiarize people to the new computerized sources for information and research.

The seminars are open to students, staff and faculty as space permits. If you are unable to attend a seminar when it is offered, contact the library for information about alternative scheduling possibilities. All seminars will be held in the conference room at Jerome Library.

"Advanced Features of the Online Catalog" will be held at 2 p.m. April 12 and at 10 a.m. April 14.

"An Overview of the OhioLINK Project" is set for 2 p.m. April 5.

"BG LINK Databases" will be held at 2 p.m. April 11 and again at 2 p.m. on April 13.

At 2 p.m. on April 15, "MEDLINE," a bibliographic data base of the National Library of Medicine, will be discussed.

"Newsbank, Comindex, UMI Databases and BG News Index," all general interest databases, will be explained at 2 p.m. April 4.

"Government CD-ROM Databases" will be the topic of the 2 p.m. April 5 seminar.

"The OhioLINK Gopher" will be held at 2 p.m. April 6 and at 10 a.m. April 13.

Interested participants should register by April 1 by calling the information services office at 372-2361 or through e-mail to Laurie Sabol at lsabol@andy.bgsu.edu.

New fraternity brings total Greek system to 23

Omega Psi Phi, an African American service-based fraternity, is the newest member of the University's fraternity and sorority system.

According to Katie Shanahan, assistant director of small-group housing and Greek life, Omega Psi Phi will bring to 23 the number of fraternities at Bowling Green. She said the Greek system on campus "provides students with the chance to get more involved on campus."

The University's Greek community also includes 16 national sororities. The chapters range in size from about five to more than 100 members. Approximately

1,325 men and 1,330 women belong to the Greek system at Bowling Green.

Fraternities and sororities offer their members various opportunities to encourage involvement on campus and in Greek activities through community service or philanthropic projects, academic advantages, intramural sports teams and numerous social functions.

Each chapter organizes a philanthropy which involves a competition among fraternities and sororities to raise money for a particular charity. Last year, the Greek community donated more than \$36,000 to various organizations.



Members of Leadership BG, a program of the Bowling Green Chamber of Commerce, were on campus last week to tour the University and listen to presentations from President Olscamp, the vice presidents and deans about the various roles of each area. Above, Philip Mason, vice president for University relations, explains his office's involvement in legislative affairs. The group had lunch at Founders/Keepers and also had tours of the College of Technology and the Field House. Leadership BG is designed to inform and educate both current and emerging leaders about the Bowling Green area community and its key issues.

Fadley to speak on advanced light sources

Dr. Charles Fadley, an advanced light source professor at the University of California, Berkeley, will be the keynote speaker of the Bettcher Industries Seminar Series at a free luncheon March 28 on the Firelands College campus.

Fadley will speak on "The Physics and Chemistry of Surfaces: Why It's Important and How We Study It." Lunch will begin

at 11:45 a.m. in the McBride Auditorium and Fadley's talk will start around noon. Reservations can be made by calling the Office of College Relations at (419) 433-5560 or (800) 322-4787.

Fadley is a graduate of Norwalk High School and has become an expert in his field. He was elected as a foreign member of the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences in 1993 and has been an invited lecturer in the former Soviet Union through the USSR and Ukrainian Academies of Science with talks in Moscow, Leningrad, Kiev and Novosibirsk.

Submit fee waivers

Faculty and staff are reminded to complete and submit employee and dependent fee waivers for the upcoming summer school sessions to personnel services.

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

New vacancies

Posting expiration date for employees to apply: Noon, Friday, March 25.

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Pay Grade 11
Computer services

FACULTY/STAFF POSITIONS

The following faculty positions are available:

Applied Sciences (Firelands College): Instructor/assistant professor of economics and statistics (temporary, probationary, full-time, dependent upon qualifications). Contact the Office of the Dean, Firelands (433-5560, ext. 223). Deadline: April 4.

Communication Disorders: Instructor/assistant professor (two positions, temporary, full-time). Contact Linda Petrosino (2-6031). Deadline: April 4 or until position is filled.

Economics: Assistant professor, econometrics (anticipated). Contact John Hoag (2-2646). Deadline: Until position is filled.

EDCI: Assistant professor, elementary/secondary mathematics methods (full-time, probationary). Contact: Leigh Chiarelott (2-7352). Deadline: April 30 or until filled.

Journalism: Assistant professor (probationary, full-time). Contact search committee, journalism department (2-2076). Deadline: April 15 or until filled.

Political Science: Assistant professor of international relations (probationary). Contact Roger Anderson (2-2921). Deadline: April 30.

The following administrative positions are available:

Career Planning and Placement Services: Assistant director. Contact personnel services (2-2227). Deadline: April 6.

College of Business Administration: Assistant director of graduate studies in business. Contact personnel services (2-8426). Deadline: April 1.

Intercollegiate Athletics: Assistant or associate athletic director. Contact personnel services (2-8426). Deadline: May 2. Also, assistant volleyball coach. Contact personnel services (2-2227). Deadline: April 22.

DATEBOOK

Monday, March 21

Humanities Week Event, an exhibition by Cleveland artist Angelica Pozo entitled "Picture Postcards," through March 24, Firelands Gallery, North Building, Firelands College. Gallery hours are 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Free.

Euro/Latin American Film Series, "Time of the Gypsies," 3:30 p.m., Gish Film Theater. Free.

Tuesday, March 22

Workplace Safety Seminar, speakers include Bill Brutsche, James Coyle, James Fograscher, Dr. Mark Stephenson and Arnis Anderson, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., McBride Auditorium, Firelands College. Cost is \$15 for persons from organizations which are members of the Safety Council and \$35 for others. Reservations required. Call 419-433-5560 Ext. 217 or 1-800-322-4787 Ext. 217 for reservations or more information.

Administrative Staff Council Executive Meeting, noon-1 p.m., Canal Room, Union.

Wednesday, March 23

Seminar, "Risk Management of Medical Office Procedure," 9 a.m.-4 p.m., lounge, East Building, Firelands College. The cost is \$69 per person which includes lunch and seminar handouts. Participants will earn a certificate of completion. Call 419-433-5560 or 1-800-322-4787 Ext. 217 to register or for more information.

Monday, March 28

Luncheon, "The Physics and Chemistry of Surfaces: Why It's Important and How We Study It," by Dr. Charles Fadley, 11:45 a.m., McBride Auditorium, Firelands College.

International Film Series, "Eijanaika" (Japanese 1981), 8 p.m., Gish Film Theater. Free.

Concert, by Jerome Rose and friends of the pianist, 8 p.m., Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Free.

Concert, by the Classical Guitar Ensemble, 9 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Free.

Get involved; run for a seat on CSC

The deadline has been extended for people who want to submit self-nominations to serve on Classified Staff Council. Interested persons have until March 28 to indicate their interest.

The council is involved in many decision-making processes on campus and has the opportunity to affect policies concerning classified staff.

Ten seats on the council are up for election this spring.

The following seats need to be filled: a three-year term in the academic affairs area; three three-year terms in operations; a two-year unexpired term in

University relations; a three-year term from Firelands College; a three-year term representing permanent part-time staff; a three-year term in auxiliary support services (food); a two-year unexpired term in auxiliary support services (food); a one-year unexpired term in operations/management support services (which includes personnel services, the benefits office, transportation services, environmental safety, vehicle maintenance, the shuttle service, field operations, facilities and enforcement, campus safety, public safety and the architect's office).

Self-nominations must include name, job title, department, years at the University and campus phone number. All nominations should be submitted to the CSC Election Committee, P.O. Box 91, University Hall, by March 28.

Committee seeks input on hardware, software for new classroom building

The new classroom building is scheduled to come on line next fall. Dr. Robert Boughton, physics and astronomy, and chair of the committee specifying the computing hardware and software for the building, is seeking input from faculty.

Any faculty members who would like to use the facility next year and take advantage of its computing facilities need to provide the following information:

- What type of platform do they need (MS-DOS/Windows or Mac)?;
- Do they require any special applications (apart from word processing and spreadsheets, etc.)?;
- Do they have any special needs regarding peripherals (e.g., CD-ROM player, Gigabytes of hard disk space or more than four megabytes of RAM)?

Replies should be sent to Boughton in the physics and astronomy department, by e-mail to boughton@andy or by fax at 372-9938.

Safety congress set

The Ohio Division of Safety and Hygiene will hold its annual All Ohio Safety and Health Congress and Exhibit in Cleveland April 5-7. According to Dan Parratt, director of environmental health and safety at the University, the congress is especially relevant to BGSU since Ohio's new occupational safety and health law will affect faculty, staff and their departments. There is no registration fee. For a complete agenda, call Parratt at 372-2171.

Note correction to article on new pay plan

Due to incorrect information provided by personnel services, a statement in the article "Classified staff prepare to change over to new pay plan starting in June" in the March 14 issue of the *Monitor* is misleading.

The last objective of the new pay plan reads, "To assure that the rate of pay for each classification will be reduced when the new pay proposal goes into effect." The objective should state: To ensure that NO rate of pay for each classification will be reduced when the new pay proposal goes into effect.